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1. Within the DDR chain of command for deciding import quotas, DIA now plays a role subordinate to DMZ. Whereas DIA formerly dealt directly with DDR manufacturers to learn what amounts of various goods were needed from abroad, DIA now receives these quotas for all practical purposes from DMZ. The DDR State Planning Commission passes its annual requirements to DMZ and the latter, after computing what amounts will be available within the DDR, informs the Ministry of Foreign Trade of the difference between the quota and the available supply. (For example, should the State Planning Commission establish the quota for the manufacture of waffle irons in the DDR at 500,000 for 1952, for which 1,000 tons of chrome steel are required, the quota for 1,000 tons of chrome steel would be passed from the State Planning Commission to DMZ. If DMZ computed that 600 tons of chrome steel for this requirement are available from DDR steel manufacturers, DMZ would then inform the Foreign Trade Ministry that 400 tons of chrome steel was the DIA import quota for 1952.) In many instances, DIA is not informed for what purpose or for which DDR manufacturers the import quotas have been established, and the bookkeeping sections of DIA are not informed from which firms materials have been purchased.

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1. Both privately-owned and VEB steel construction plants, notably in Saxony and Saxony-Anhalt, recently received a remarkably large number of reparations orders which are to be filled in a very short time. Moreover, the Russians are seeing to it that the target dates established in the contracts are strictly observed. In cases where it seemed probable that the required articles would not be delivered on schedule, the Russians have forcibly transferred new personnel, specialists, to places where they are needed. For the most part, the contracts involved at the present are for carrier beams (Werkskruecken) for industrial plants. Many orders which were placed in connection with the Five Year Plan and which were destined to fulfill German needs have either been remanded or postponed so that these reparations orders can be fulfilled.

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